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AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.111

Sir:

The following amendment and remarks are submitted in response to the Official Action mailed February 16, 2000 in which the claims of the Application were held to be subject to a restriction requirement and species election.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 29-85, without prejudice.

<u>REMARKS</u>

Consideration of this amendment, which is responsive to the Official Action mailed